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SUBJECT: COUNTER-TERRORISM REQUIREMENTS, AMEMBASSY
WELLINGTON

REFERENCE: WELLINGTON'S 3775, TECHNICAL SECURITY SURVEY
DATED OCTOBER 15, 1975

1. A/SY/FO, EA/EX AND A/FBO HAVE VERY CAREFULLY REVIEWED
THE POST'S RECOMMENDATIONS SET FORTH IN REFERENCES.
WHILE THE PROPOSALS ARE VERY SOUND, THE EMBASSY'S SHORT
TENURE OF OCCUPANCY OF LEASED OFFICE SPACE AND THE
IMPOSSIBILITY TO CONSOLIDATE OFFICES IN THE IBM
BUILDING IN WELLINGTON, CAUSED OUR REVIEW TO CONCENTRATE
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ALTHOUGH NOT FULLY SATISFYING FULL CONTROL OF PUBLIC

ACCESS AREAS, APPEARS TO BE AN INTERIM MEASURE IN THE USE OF A CONTRACTUAL GUARD FORCE AND ALARM SYSTEM. IN THIS REGARD WE CONCUR WITH POST'S RECOMMENDATIONS THAT A LOCAL CONTRACT GUARD FORCE BE PROGRAMMED FOR USIS ON THE FIRST FLOOR AND THE CONSULAR AND ADMINISTRATIVE SECTION ON THE THIRD FLOOR, SUPPORTED BY THE RAID ALARM SYSTEMS.

2. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT PLANNING BE DIRECTED TO CONTROL OF PUBLIC ACCESS AREAS WITHIN THE NEW CHANCERY NOW UNDER CONSTRUCTION. IN THIS REGARD, THE RSO IS REQUESTED, AFTER CONSULTATION WITH MR. RALPH SCARRITT, TO COORDINATE WITH THE ON SITE PROJECT SUPERVISOR AND SUBMIT MODIFICATIONS, IF ANY ARE REQUIRED UNDER THE COUNTER-TERRORISM PROGRAM, SO THAT A CHANGE ORDER ACTION COULD BE INITIATED.

3. CONCERNING THE AMBASSADOR'S RESIDENCE, WE HAVE NO PROBLEMS REGARDING RECOMMENDED PHYSICAL SECURITY IMPROVEMENTS, HOWEVER, ADDITIONAL CLARIFICATION ON PERIMETER FENCING IS REQUIRED. A/FBO WOULD APPRECIATE A SKETCH OF EXISTING PERIMETER FENCING - SHOWING CURRENT HEIGHT AND TYPE OF CONSTRUCTION, WITH THE PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS AND/OR REPLACEMENT. ALSO A DETAILED COST BREAKDOWN WOULD BE HELPFUL.

4. REGARDING INSTALLATION OF THE EMERGENCY GENERATOR, THIS ITEM CANNOT BE JUSTIFIED UNDER THE COUNTER-TERRORISM PROGRAM.

5. ON ANOTHER TOPIC. INFORMATION IS REQUESTED AS TO WHEN DEPARTMENT CAN EXPECT COUNTER-TERRORISM REQUIREMENTS, IF ANY, FOR THE AMERICAN EMBASSY SUVA? KISSINGER

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